

MINUTES

May 18-19, 2005 Oxford Suites Spokane, WA

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Members Present: Terry Bergeson Rebecca Bowers

Carolyn Bradley Carol Coar
Roger Erskine Sheila Fox
Vicki Frei Tim Knue
David Koyama Gloria Mitchell
Kathryn Nelson Dora Noble

Jamila Norris Sharon Okamoto

Grant Pelesky Karen Rademaker-Simpson

Martha Rice Ron Scutt
Dennis Sterner Yvonne Ullas

Members Absent: Michael Jones

Staff Present: Jennifer Wallace Pamela Abbott

Esther Baker Lin Douglas

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the amended minutes of the March 2005 meeting.

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: To approve the agenda. **Motion carried**.

OUTCOME OF 2005 LEGISLATIVE SESSION: INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ON NEW LAWS AFFECTING THE PESB

Jennifer Wallace presented a PowerPoint presentation on how enacted legislation will affect the PESB. A copy of the presentation may be obtained by contacting the PESB office.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Randy Hathaway from Washington School Personnel Association provided public comment. Mr. Hathaway expressed his confidence in the Board and his appreciation for the intentional effort to involve stakeholders in the transition process.

Phyllis Bunker Frank, Professional Education and Certification Chair for the State Board of Education provided public comment. Ms. Frank has a long history with professional development. Confident that the work the PESB will inherit will meet some very high standards. Ms. Frank is confident that the Board will keep in mind what is best for kids.

Jim Meadows from the Washington Education Association provided public comment. Dr. Meadows is pleased to see the shift in certification authority changed to the PESB.

Dr. Meadows thinks that Washington Education Association can communicate a lot with their constituency to get the PESB's name out, let the average educator know that the PESB is doing something and that policy is made with them and not to them.

Judy Mitchell from Washington State University and Washington Association of Colleges of Teacher Education provided public comment. Dr. Mitchell urged the PESB to approach the new role with new eyes. She believes the colleges of education could do better by asking hard questions, but needs the PESB to listen to their responses as they try to explain how their world operates. Dr. Mitchell asked that the board try to negotiate these times with a lot of professional respect. WACTE would appreciate the opportunity to meet with the full board soon. Dr. Mitchell also offered public comment based on her personal views. Dr. Mitchell is concerned that the PESB may not have enough higher education representatives on the board. She appreciates the involvement of the stakeholders and would urge the board to somehow include the perspectives of the colleges of education in the comprehensive study. She further urged the board to gather current information from colleges when the board is responsible for reporting the state of teacher education.

CERTIFICATION UPDATE

Dr. Arlene Hett and Larry Lashway, provided a written update from the Professional Education and Certification (PE&C) division and then discussed other items the division is currently working on:

- Building a seamless K-20 Educator preparation system that assures systematic collaboration among stakeholders at all levels;
- Developing a cohesive performance-based system for assessing the effectiveness of educator preparation programs;
- Developing ProCert programs for all educator roles;
- Aligning Washington's subject-area endorsement system with federal requirements for highly-qualified teachers; and
- Determining the optimum number of preparation programs that will assure quality, accessibility, and efficiency; developing policy to deal with out of state on-line programs.

PE &C is also working on the Washington Administrative Code for knowledge and skills, and endorsements to simplify the language.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Chair adjourned the meeting to executive session during the lunch hour.

APPROACH TO LEGISLATIVE CHARGE FOR PESB TO COMPLETE COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS OF EDUCATOR PREPARATION AND CERTIFICATION SYSTEM.

The board broke into workgroups to discuss issues that will be reported on in the comprehensive analysis. Each group reported back and provided their notes to Jennifer Wallace.

PRESENTATION FROM NATIONAL EVALUATION SYSTEMS AND EDUCATIONAL TESTING SERVICES ON CURRENT TRENDS AND INITIATIVES IN SUBJECT KNOWLEDGE TESTING FOR TEACHER LICENSURE

Jerry DeLuca from Educational Testing Service and Les McCallum and Phil Gullion from National Evaluation Systems provided informational presentations to the board on what their companies are providing for subject matter testing.

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ASSESSMENT UPDATE

Esther Baker provided a written update in the board packets. The Board voted on the two motions below:

MOTION: That the WEST B score review cycle be established at three years with

the next review to take place in 2008. An announcement regarding the score review will be made in November 2007 with PESB action taking

place in March 2008. Motion carried.

MOTION: That the Second its

That the Second item listed in table 2, "word processor or computer with memory capacity for open-ended assignments" be deleted and 2) the following item approved and added for inclusion in Table 1: "laptop computer, keyboard, mouse and printer. Computer is loaded with Microsoft Word with the spellchecker, grammar checker and thesaurus disabled." **Motion carried.**

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES TO PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATION: PRESENTATION AND WORK SESSION

Dr. Lin Douglas provided a summary of the work performed by the workgroup thus far and presented a powerpoint presentation outlining the work. The board then broke into workgroups. Each group reported back and provided their notes to Dr. Douglas.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sharon Mowry from Whitworth College provided public comment to the board. She asked the board to keep the following in mind when considering alternative routes to principal certification:

- What are the knowledge and skills based opportunities that the candidates would go through?
- What would be the characteristics and what would be the support given to these programs? Quality? Complexity?
- ISSLC standards

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES TO TEACHING: PROPOSAL RELATED TO CONDITIONAL LOAN SCHOLARSHIP NUMBERS AND AMOUNTS

The budget passed by the Legislature reduced the amount the PESB will receive for alternative route programs for FY 2006. With this reduction the PESB is faced with the decision of how to distribute the funds.

MOTION: To reduce the alternative routes scholarship amount to \$5000 plus a \$500

mentor teacher stipend. Motion carried with one opposed and one

abstention.

MOTION: Individuals teaching full-time with conditional certificates shall be ineligible

for the conditional loan scholarship given the limited amount of

scholarships available. Motion carried.

SLP UPDATE

Karen Rademaker-Simpson, Carol Coar and Jennifer Wallace had a conference call with Doug Gil from OSPI. Mr. Gil expects IDEA will require that the conditional certificate for SLPs will go away. With highly-qualified and because special education ESAs are paid through federal funds, these people have been notified for a couple of years and have had the opportunity to become fully certified but have not for one reason or another. Part of this problem is a capacity issue. Some of these people have applied but did not get accepted to a program. Next steps: Write letters to each of those individuals who queried to the State Board about this issue. We support master's degrees for SLP certification, but we are looking into options of how to help the specific population the State Board is trying to address.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Carolyn Bradley, Tim Knue, Dennis Sterner, Karen Rademaker-Simpson, David Koyama, Martha Rice and Kay Nelson will continue serving as the PESB Executive Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Kay Nelson adjourned the meeting.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the PESB will be at the Heritage Room in Olympia, WA. The PESB will hold a retreat the evening of July 20th and all day July 21st, followed by a business meeting all day July 22nd.